

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Applicant:	§	
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ROBERT E. SMITH III	§	
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For: SEAL RETAINER WITH METAL	§	Confirmation No. 2895
SEAL MEMBERS FOR UNDERSEA	§	
HYDRAULIC COUPLING	§	

CHANGE OF ENTITY STATUS FROM SMALL TO LARGE

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Dear Sir:

This is notification that small entity status is no longer appropriate for the above-captioned patent. Applicant asserts that for this patent, as of June 12, 2009, it is a large entity status.

The 3.5 year maintenance fee due October 4, 2009 was paid on September 22, 2009 as a small entity. The current large entity amount of the 3.5 year maintenance fee is \$980.00. Applicant actually paid \$490.00. This results in a deficiency of \$490.00. Applicant hereby is paying the deficiency of \$490.00 and authorizes the Patent Office to charge the deposit account 501922 for this additional fee and any other charges related to this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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